Councilman Loquercio Oversees Demolition of "Zombie House" in Medford

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Farmingville, NY - On August 30, Councilman Michael Loguercio was on-hand for the demolition of a "zombie house" located at 17 Carr Lane in Medford. The house was the source of resident complaints leading to numerous Town of Brookhaven housing code violations dating back to 2006 for an illegal apartment and property maintenance. It also sustained fire damage in 2010. The property will be cleared of debris and graded by the Town. The house was demolished by the Town in accordance with Chapter 73 of the Town Code which provides a "fast track" to rid neighborhoods of unsafe structures. The cost of demolition and debris removal is the responsibility of the property owner, and the Town places a lien on the property that is then placed on the tax bill. The County

reimburses the Town and then they collect the money from the property owner.

Councilman Loguercio said, "Like so many zombie houses, this dangerous eyesore was in a nice neighborhood where people take care of their homes and property. A house like this has such a detrimental impact on everyone in the neighborhood and I am happy that we were able to demolish it. I commend our Law and Building Departments and thank them for their efforts to clean up neighborhoods throughout Town of Brookhaven."

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